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## *Happy Thanksgiving Warrior Country*

1. This Thanksgiving Day, it is with a sincere sense of pride and deep appreciation that Donna and I extend our personal prayers and heartfelt thanks to you, the Warriors of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division and Area 1, and your families for all you do in the defense of freedom for our nation and for the Republic of Korea.
2. You may be away from relatives and loved ones this Thanksgiving, but, in Warrior country, you are never without family and friends. Thanksgiving is a time to come together to celebrate the fruits of shared labors and life's blessings. This Thanksgiving Day, take time with your fellow Warriors to reflect on what you have experienced together. Take a moment to consider what you've accomplished professionally and personally.
3. Everyday you serve in the most forward deployed division in the United States Army. You deter aggression by standing on point for the nation. Everyday you train and maintain to be ready to fight tonight. You keep the ROK/U.S. Alliance that has preserved peace on the Korean peninsula for over 50 years strong and vibrant. I know the sacrifices you make as you serve away from relatives and loved ones. For all this and more, on behalf of two grateful nations, I salute you and your families. Have a blessed and wonderful Thanksgiving Day. You are truly "Second to None!"

  
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